Amendments To the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown. Applicants reserve the right to pursue any cancelled claims at a later date.

1.-18. (cancelled)

19. (currently amended) An apparatus configured to receive files and updates thereto through a communication network, with the files assembled in a file directory structure, the apparatus being responsive to control operation of a device according to one or more of the files, the apparatus including ~~comprising:~~ ~~a~~ storage for storing the ~~a~~ file directory structure, the file directory structure including: ~~having~~

a first hierarchy level and a second hierarchy level designed as a subordinate level of the first hierarchy level;

a first file directory situated on the first hierarchy level;

a second file directory situated on the second hierarchy level; and

a first file situated on the first or the second hierarchy level or on a subordinate hierarchy level, wherein

the file directory structure is held in a second file, ~~wherein the file directory structure represents part of the content or all of the content of the second file,~~ wherein each file directory and each file of the file directory structure is listed consecutively in the second file, wherein each file directory and each file of the file directory structure is identified by at least one characteristic start symbol and/or at least one characteristic end symbol, and wherein the contents of each file directory and each file in the file directory structure are stored in each case between the respective characteristic symbols,

said file directory structure enabling the apparatus to operate as a web server, thereby enabling remote access to control or change operation of the device.

20. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein an Internet-compatible language is used for describing the file directory structure.

21. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the second file, in which the file directory structure is stored, is an XML file and the XML language is used for the purpose of description.

22. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 21, wherein the XML language is used for describing the file directory structure.

23. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein a new line is used both for each characteristic start symbol and for each characteristic end symbol in the second file.

24. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the designation of the relevant file directory or of the relevant file is used as a characteristic start symbol, and the designation of the relevant file directory or of the relevant file is used as a characteristic end symbol and a predeterminable character is added as a prefix.

25. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the second file includes further sections having other contents, said further sections being identified or separated in each case by at least one characteristic start symbol and at least one characteristic end symbol.

26. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 25, wherein configuration data is stored in at least one of the further sections of the second file.

27. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 25, wherein result codes and/or error codes are stored in at least one of the further sections of the second file.

28. (currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the apparatus <u>comprises a mechanism</u> ~~comprising mechanisms~~ for receiving and/or storing the second file via a communication network.

29. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 28, wherein the communication network is the Internet and/or a Intranet and/or a radio connection.

30. (currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 26, ~~19,~~ wherein a configuration of the apparatus, using the configuration data which is present in the second file, can be carried out automatically after the second file has been loaded onto the apparatus.

31. (currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the apparatus is coupled to a communication network taken from the group consisting of an intranet, the internet and a radio-connected network and the device is a motor. ~~can be used as a Web server after the second file has been loaded onto the apparatus.~~

32. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein an update of the file directory structure can be carried out by overwriting an original file version of the second file with a new file version.

33. (currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 26, ~~19,~~ wherein an update of the configuration data can be carried out by overwriting an original file version of the second file with a new file version.

34. (currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 26, ~~19,~~ wherein after the second file has been updated, a previously set configuration data of the apparatus onto which the original file version of the second file was loaded, can automatically be checked and adapted.

35. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the apparatus is an embedded device.

36. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the apparatus is an automation device.

37. (previously presented) An automation system having at least one apparatus as claimed in Claim 19.

38. (canceled)